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காரணத்தால் பல திட்டங்கள் எதிர்பார்த்த அளவுக்கு வெற்றிகரமாக நடைபெறுமலிருக்கின்றன. ஆகவே ஸ்தல மக்கள் கொடுக்கவேண்டிய பங்கு 50 சதவிகிதம் என்று இருப்பது 25 சதவிகிதம் என்று சர்க்கார் நிர்ணயம் செய்வார்களேயானால் தேசீய விஸ்தரிப்புத் திட்டங்களில் விசேஷ முன்னேற்றம் காணமுடியும். இதுவிஷயத்தில் சர்க்கார் கவனம் செலுத்துவார்களா ? ”

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—“ I am afraid that this question does not arise out of the answer given by me.”

SRI V. C. PALANISAMY GOUNDER :—“ Sir, I should like to know the position of the tank works asked for in this question? ”

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—“ Sir, I have already given the information and I do not have any information more than that regarding tank works.”

SRI S. R. ARUMUGHAM :—“ காங்கயம் பிளாக்கில் இன்னும் அனேக குட்டைகள் மராமத்து செய்யப்படவேண்டிய நிலையில் உள்ளன. அவைகளையெல்லாம் ரிஜிஸ்டர்டு கண்டிராக்டர்களிடம் கொடுக்காமல், அங்கிருக்கக் கூடிய தனிப்பட்ட ஸ்தாபனங்கள் மூலமாக இந்த வேலையை எடுத்துச் செய்வதற்கு சர்க்கார், பிளாக் டெவலப்மெண்டு அதிகாரிகளுக்கு உத்தரவிடுவார்களா ? ”

THE HON SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—“ உள்ளூரில் இருக்கும் அக்கறை உள்ளவர்களும், மற்ற பொது ஸ்தாபனங்களும் இப்படிப் பட்ட வேலைகளை எடுத்துச்செய்ய முன்வந்தால் அவ்வாறே அவர்களிடம் இந்த வேலைகளைக் கொடுக்க அரசாங்கத்திற்கு எந்தவிதமான ஆட்சேபணையும் இராது.”

SRI V. C. PALANISAMY GOUNDER :—“ Sir, the question particularly mentioned about pond works as different from tank works.”

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—“ Sir, in this block we have carried out as many as 10 irrigation works mostly with the contribution of the people and the Government have contributed very little. But, I do not have any information regarding pond works excepting one. A pond and a tank are almost the same and I have referred to one tank work that has been undertaken.”

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Grant of non-residential scholarships to college students of eligible communities.

46 *Q.*—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the amount that has been set apart in this year's budget for granting non-residential scholarships to college students of Harijan community in each district?

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A.—No amount is set apart districtwise for grant of non-residential scholarships to college students belonging to eligible communities. However, a statement showing the particulars of non-residential scholarships sanctioned so far to eligible communities in each district during 1954–55 is given below :—

District.	*Renewal.*		*Fresh.*	
	Number of scholarships.	*Amount.*	*Number of scholarships.*	*Amount.*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.
Madras	25	938 15 0	36	1,768 1 0
Chingleput	..	..	3	140 1 0
Coimbatore ..	4	138 12 0	8	361 11 0
Madurai	1	43 7 0	1	46 11 0
Malabar	4	138 12 0	5	221 7 0
North Arcot ..	1	34 11 0	3	128 1 0
Ramanathapuram	..	..	..	..
South Arcot ..	1	43 7 0	..	..
South Kanara ..	1	34 11 0	3	152 4 0
Salem	10	346 14 0	16	759 3 0
Tanjore	..	..	2	93 6 0
Tiruchirappalli ..	3	150 12 0	10	454 14 0
Tirunelveli ..	1	34 11 0	3	128 1 0
The Nilgiris ..	..	..	..	..
	51	1,905 0 0	90	4,271 12 0

Hostels run by the Harijan Sevak Sangh.

47 *Q.*—Sri A. Ratnam : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many Harijan hostels are run by the Harijan Sevak Sangh in the State;

(*b*) whether these hostels are subsidized by the Government;

(*c*) the total amount of subsidy granted by the Government during the years 1948 to 1952;

(*d*) the number of staff maintained by the Harijan Sevak Sangh for their Harijan hostels in the State, such as Managers, correspondents, wardens, matrons, tutors, clerks, cooks, peons and others; and whether these are sanctioned by Government; and

(*e*) the average monthly expenditure incurred by the Harijan Sevak Sangh hostels per head as per the annual Government Audit Report?

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A.—(a) 43.

(b) All except three are recognized and subsidized by the Harijan Welfare Department.

(c)

Year.	Amount. RS.	A.	P.
1948–49	1,39,870	13	0
1949–50	1,43,968	1	0
1950–51	2,27,296	7	11
1951–52	2,43,029	1	3
1952–53	2,65,055	13	0
Total ..	10,19,220	4	2

(d)

Manager	1
Wardens	34
Matrons	13
Tutors	9
Clerk	1
Cooks	50
Others	7

The pay of cook, warden and tutor employed in the subsidized Harijan hostels come under the items of expenditure debitable to boarding grants sanctioned by the Harijan Welfare Department. No separate grant has been given for this purpose. Subsidy towards the pay of matrons employed in girls' hostels and mixed hostels is being sanctioned separately.

(e) The average expenditure varies from hostel to hostel from Rs. 15 to Rs. 23 per mensem.

Scholarships to students of Harijan communities and backward classes.

48 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the amount of scholarships granted to students of the Harijan communities and backward classes in the years 1952 and 1953?

A.—The amount spent on scholarships by the Harijan Welfare Department was as shown below :—

	1952–53. RS.	1953–54. RS.
Harijans and other eligible communities.	7,27,564	7,22,513
Backward classes	7,69,456	8,14,211

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Number of dacoity cases.

49 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of dacoity cases in the State charge-sheeted in the year 1953; and

(*b*) the number of persons convicted and the number acquitted?

A.—(*a*) 159.

(*b*) (1) Number of persons convicted—197.

(2) Number of persons acquitted—608.

Supply of plants to the public under the Vanamahotsava Scheme.

50 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of plants supplied by the Government to the public free of cost under Vanamahotsava Scheme since its inception; and

(*b*) the amount spent in 1953 and 1954 respectively?

A.—(*a*) According to a report received from the Director of Agriculture about 8,370,700 plants, seedlings and cuttings and 2,232,600 lb. of seeds were supplied to the public by the Agriculture Department free of cost during the years 1950 to 1954. Particulars about the supplies made by the Forest Department are still awaited.

(*b*) The actual expenditure during 1953–54 was Rs. 10,765–3–6. Figures for 1954–55 are not yet available.

Hostels for Harijan students in the Malabar district.

51 *Q.*—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of hostels for Harijan students in Malabar and their location;

(*b*) the number of students in each of them;

(*c*) the number of Harijan students from Malabar who were awarded scholarships or stipends in 1953–54; and

(*d*) the value of each scholarship?

A.—A statement [a] showing the particulars is placed on the table of the House.

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Grant of bus permits.

52 Q.—Sri P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received by the respective Road Transport authorities in the State during 1953–54 for bus permits to ply buses (i) in new routes and (ii) in the old routes;

(b) the number of persons who were granted permits;

(c) how many of them are new entrants to the field of bus transport;

(d) how many of them appealed to—

(i) the Central Road Traffic Board, and

(ii) the Government; and

(e) in how many cases, the Central Road Traffic Board reversed the decision of the Regional Transport Authority and in how many cases the Government reversed the decision of the Central Road Traffic Board?

A.—(a) to (e) A statement[a] furnishing the information is annexed.

Repairs to the Harijan Welfare schools in Ponneri taluk.

53 Q.—Sri O. CHENGAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Harijan Welfare schools in Ponneri taluk; and

(b) whether their roofs are in a bad condition and have not been repaired for a long time?

A.—(a) 12.

(b) The roofs of six schools are in good condition. The roofs of the remaining six are in need of repairs. The roofs of two of these were repaired this year and action is being taken to repair the rest.

Supply of mid-day meals to children in Harijan Welfare schools in Ponneri taluk.

54 Q.—Sri O. CHENGAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of schools run by the Harijan Welfare Department in the Ponneri taluk and the number of children given mid-day meals in them; and

(b) the amount spent in this respect?

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[a] Printed as Appendix VI on page 165 infra.

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A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The number of schools is twelve. The number of children given mid-day meals in these schools varies every month. The particulars of children fed and the amount spent on them for the period from June to November 1954 are as follows:—

Month. (1)	Number of children given midday meals. (2)	Amount spent on them. (3)
		RS.
June	14,455	2,260
July	25,128	3,920
August	21,125	3,374
September	14,791	2,310
October	12,064	1,886
November	17,977	2,809

Number of workers in the sugar factories in the State.

55 *Q.*—SRI C. RAJAM RAMASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the total number of men employed by each sugar factory in the State?

A.—The particulars are furnished below:—

Serial number and name of the factory.	Average daily number of men employed.
(1) Murugappa Sugar Factory, Mailpatti, North Arcot district.	47
(2) The East India Distilleries and Sugar Factories, Limited, Nellikuppam, South Arcot district.	2,040
(3) The Deccan Sugar and Abkari Company, Limited, Pugalur, Tiruchirappalli district.	112
(4) The Madura Sugars and Allied Products, Limited, Pandiarajapuram, Madurai district.	330
(5) The Sugarcane Crushing Mills, Kodumudi, Coimbatore district.	9

Expenditure incurred on the payment of salary and allowances to Government servants.

56 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total expenditure incurred towards the payment of (i) salary, (ii) dearness allowance and (iii) other allowances to State Government employees of the following categories in 1952–53:—

(1) Gazetted, (2) Non-Gazetted other than categories (3) and (4) below, (3) Clerical (*a*) Upper Division Clerks and (*b*) Lower Division Clerks and (4) Last Grade; and

(b) allowances other than dearness allowance paid to each of the above categories?

A.—(a) The expenditure incurred on payment of salary to the gazetted and non-gazetted staff (excluding village establishments) in 1952–53 was about Rs. 227 lakhs and Rs. 1,104 lakhs, respectively. The expenditure on the salary of village establishments was about Rs. 169 lakhs. The expenditure incurred on payment of allowances (including dearness, house-rent, travelling and other compensatory allowances) both to the gazetted and non-gazetted staff (excluding village establishments) was about Rs. 984 lakhs. These figures include the expenditure in respect of Upper Division Clerks and Lower Division Clerks and members of the last grade service, for whom separate figures are not available. The allowances paid to village establishments amounted to about Rs. 74 lakhs.

(b) The State Government servants (gazetted and non-gazetted) are eligible to draw, in addition to dearness allowance, allowances such as house-rent allowance, travelling allowance, conveyance allowances and other compensatory allowances, as the case may be, subject to the rates and conditions laid down by the Government.

Government Hospital at Badagara.

57 Q.—SRI K. MOIDU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation regarding the improvements to the Government Hospital at Badagara; and

(b) how many persons were treated as in-patients and how many as out-patients during the years 1951–52 and 1952–53, respectively?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The number of in-patients treated in the hospital during 1951, 1952 and 1953 was 494, 683 and 1,163 respectively and the number of out-patients treated during those years was 18,301, 22,696 and 26,441 respectively.

Duties of Social Education Organizers.

58 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the duties of Social Education Organizers?

A.—The principal role of the Social Education Organizers is to arrange programmes of participation by the rural community in the development programmes under the Community Projects and National Extension Service, such as Agriculture, Housing, Village Improvement,

Health, Education, etc. They have to arrange literacy programmes, literacy classes and post-literacy work and organize examination in literacy and citizenship and follow up activities with a view to prevent relapse into illiteracy and ignorance, such as writing of village wall paper, setting up of rural circulating libraries, etc. They have to organize youth welfare movements and women's welfare movements in rural areas. They should give instructions in citizenship subjects and organize cultural activities, such as folk dances, folk dramas, kathas, kirtans and bhajans, exhibitions and the like. They should organize voluntary agencies in the rural areas at different levels for carrying out social education activities on self-help basis. They are in charge of the mobile unit for arranging cinema shows. Above all, they should co-ordinate the activities of other departments and sections with the activities of social education.

Report of the Advisory Committee for Reorganization of Municipal Administration.

59 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state with reference to answer to question No. 837 given on 15th May 1954 the various recommendations made in the report of the Rathanasabapathi Mudaliyar Committee on Municipal Administration?

A.—The report of the Advisory Committee for Reorganization of Municipal Administration is treated as 'confidential' at present.

Recommendation of the State Government to the Backward Classes Commission.

60 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the recommendations, if any, made by the State Government to the Backward Classes Commission and to the Central Government?

A.—No recommendation was made by the State Government either to the Backward Classes Commission or to the Central Government.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

(1) MOTION FOR THE SUSPENSION OF RULE 23 OF THE MADRAS ASSEMBLY RULES.

12 noon.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

'*That rule 23 of the Madras Assembly Rules be suspended and the House do resolve to transact Government business on Thursday, the 10th February 1955.*' "